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APPLICANTS: Pirmin ROMBACH et al. CONF. NO.: 1309  
SERIAL NO.: 09/964,897 GROUP: 2643  
FILED: September 28, 2001 EXAMINER: Suhan NI  
FOR: MICROMACHINED MAGNETICALLY BALANCED MEMBRANE  
ACTUATOR  
DOCKET NO.: 45900-000663/US

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

April 11, 2003  
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Dear Sir:

Technology Center 2600

Responsive to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement dated March 11, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-referenced application.

***REMARKS***

The Examiner required restriction of one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-17, drawn to the structures/structural elements of a miniature actuator, classified in class 381, subclass 152.
- II. Claims 18-22, drawn to the structures/structural elements of a diaphragm, classified in class 381, subclass 431.

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HD-1003/21 based on PTO/SB/21 (08-00)

<b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b> <i>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</i>	Application Number	09/964,897
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	First Named Inventor	Pirmin ROMBACH et al.
	Group Art Unit	2643
	Examiner Name	Suhan NI
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